

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claim 19 has been canceled. The limitations of Claim 19 have been included in Claims 1 and 21.

No new matter is believed to have been added by entry of this amendment. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this amendment Claims 1-2, 4-18, 20, 21 will now be active in this application.

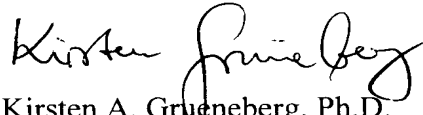
REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Moore for indicating allowability of Claim 19 if rewritten in independent form. The limitations of Claim 19 have been included in Claims 1 and 21, thereby obviating the rejections of record.

This application presents allowable subject matter, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass it to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the claims or otherwise wish to discuss this case, he is kindly invited to contact Applicants' below-signed representative, who would be happy to provide any assistance deemed necessary in speeding this application to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirsten Grueneberg".

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